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IN RE: The Application of:

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TITLE: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR ELECTRONICALLY STORING TRAVEL
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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Sir:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.17(i)

In the matter of the subject application, applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to make the application special under 37 CFR 1.17(i), infringement, and in furtherance thereof says:

1. That there is an infringing product and method on the market and in use.
2. That a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing product and method with the claims of the application has been made, and that, in the undersigned's opinion, some of the claims are unquestionably infringed; and,
3. That the undersigned has caused to be made a careful and thorough search of the prior art and or has a good knowledge of the pertinent prior art.

A copy of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims are attached

The required petition fee is enclosed.

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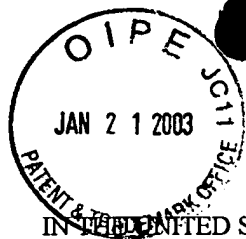
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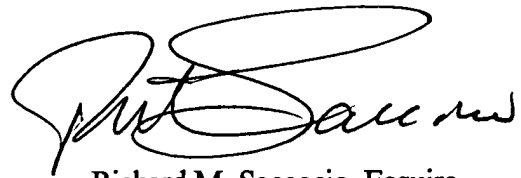
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